

Boy Scout Troop 201

Minutes of Committee Meeting 3/2/2021

Meeting Held Virtually Via Zoom

I. Opening of Meeting: Pledge of Allegiance

In attendance:

Mike Baranello, Juleigh Chin, Jeff Helgeson, Stephanie Helgeson, Chris Joneleit, Danny Kim, Nick Koutsoftas, David Martin, Monica Pavlidis, Beatriz Rapa, Mike Russo, Kevin Ryan

II. Reading of Reports:

A. Head of Charter Organization: No update

B. Troop Committee Chair:

- We are waiting for the confirmation of re-chartering from council with our insurance certificate

C. Troop Secretary:

- There are 46 scouts on the roster, plus 1 scout who is transitioning to adult status. The Adult Organization Chart and the Troop 201 Guidelines were reviewed and updates will be made to both documents.

D. Scoutmaster:

- Outing to Manorville Hills on 2/6 went well. 11 scouts and 6 adults attended and they did a 7 mile hike thru the Pine Barrens. This was a new location for the Troop and a good place to revisit in the future. It was a nicely varied terrain that included hills.
- The March 20th outing will be an advancement trip to Schiff Camp.
- OA elections will take place in a few weeks. The Scoutmaster will review scouts' achievements to see who qualifies prior to the elections.
- 5 scouts attended a virtual STEM camp over the winter school break to earn some merit badges.
- Scoutmaster has been working with Life scouts on their Eagle projects which are in various stages from pre-idea to submission for final approval. Jesse R. has been approved by district committee to begin his project in March. Chris K. and Justin C. have moved on to district for review. Jared M. has applied for an extension to complete his project. Actively discussing projects with the other Life Scouts: Naman C., Aiden J., Costa K., Luke C., Michael B., Ken T., Chris Z., and Leo G.
- High Adventure:
 - 2021 Philmont: Sent in the next installment from participants in February and next payment due to Philmont in May. Also need to pay for the tour company the group will use. The itineraries have been announced and the scouts will decide on crew leadership and which itinerary they want to request.
 - 2021 Summit: Payment to Summit due this month and next payment from scouts is due on 3/15.
 - Wilderness/First Aid training must be completed by the adults going on the High Adventure trips.

E. Troop Treasurer:

- Summary of the latest troop financials
 - Currently carrying a balance of \$. Payments went out to Philmont and Summit this month.

F. Fundraiser Coordinator:

- 1 outstanding wreath payments still needs to be collected.

G. Outdoor Activities Coordinator:

- The March trip will be an advancement day trip to Schiff Camp and we've put a deposit on a lean-to for the day.

- Looking into a possible overnight trip in May as conditions improve and COVID restrictions are being lifted. Each scout going on the overnight trip will need to have a parent with them. The campsite will be limited to 25 campers, so we may need to reserve more than one site depending on scout interest. Only 1 person per tent will be allowed. There are a number of items to figure out so we'll discuss more at the next parent meeting.
- Summer camps are opening up. We can look at Onteora or Nobebosco. Nobebosco is still holding a spot for us from last year.

H. Training Coordinator: No Update

I. Advancement Coordinator:

- Chris K. and Justin C. have been sent to District for approval of their Eagle Project.
- BOR was held for Niko K. and he achieved the rank of Tenderfoot

J. Religious Emblem Coordinator: No Update

K. Equipment Coordinator: No Update

L. Website Coordinator: The Troop History and Wall of Honor has been updated. D. Martin is looking to update the banner picture with a more recent Troop photo. Please visit the troop website at: www.troop201ny.com.

M. New Business:

- After Daylight Saving Time we'll look to move the start of troop meetings to 6:00pm or later as the days get longer and we have more daylight.

Log on to the troop website at www.troop201ny.com for updates on the troop calendar and activities, and photos from recent events. Log on to the council web site at www.trcbsa.org for links to adult training, and information on programs offered by Shelter Rock District and the Theodore Roosevelt Council.